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JAPANESE CHECKED AND FORCED BACK BY RUSSIAN ARMY

Linevitch's Chief of Staff
Says Enemy Retired
to Sumushu.

FIGHT WITH CHUNCHUSES

Important War Conference
Is Held in the City
of Tokyo.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 7.—Messages from the army in Manchuria indicate that the Japanese advance has been checked for the present, and that the enemy has even been forced to retire. A dispatch from General Harkovitch, General Linevitch's chief of staff, says the Japanese have been forced to retire on Sumushu, Manchuria.

A battle, in which 6,000 Chunchuses were engaged, has been fought, but the result is not known.

War Conference in Tokyo.

TOKYO, April 7.—An important war conference, which lasted from 9 o'clock this morning until 2 p. m., was held today at the house of Count Katsura, the premier.

The conference was attended by the Marquis Ito, Field Marshal Yamagata, Counts Matsukata and Inoye, and the ministers of war, marine, and foreign affairs.

An official statement issued today says the bulk of the Russian force made an unsuccessful attack on Chinchiatun, and then retreated to Shumencheng. The rest of the army is moving along the Fengwa road.

The official dispatches give the first notice of a Russian offensive movement since the fighting at Tieling.

A force of cavalry, with machine and mountain guns, moved south Monday from Tawo, on the Fengwa road, and the next morning began a bombardment of the Japanese advance position at Chinchiatun, north of Kalyuan.

Simultaneously a large force of infantry advanced along the main Chinchiatun road, while two other columns delivered flank attacks.

All Day Battle.

The Russians reached within 400 meters of the Japanese wings. The fighting lasted all day Tuesday.

The Japanese, although nearly surrounded, finally repulsed the enemy, losing twenty-seven killed or wounded. The Russian casualties, estimated from the number of ambulances, were about 200.

The Kokumin states that a Japanese squadron is now blockading Vladivostok.

Silence of the Czar Threatens Disaster

ST. PETERSBURG, April 7.—Up to a late hour no manifest had been received from the senate printing office.

The long-awaited announcement regarding a Zemsky Sobor has again been postponed.

A solemn assurance from the throne is generally recognized as the only method of allaying the crisis.

The need of a manifesto is particularly urgent on account of the misunderstanding among the peasantry in regard to the purpose of the rescript of March 3.

The newspapers declare that the peasants in many cases have been informed by the police and clergy that the rescript was instigated by the landlords and was intended to restore serfdom.

Ugly rumors are circulating in St. Petersburg that the revolutionaries intended to mark today's Festival of Annunciation by a terrible outrage.

UNION LABOR MEAT COMPANY INCORPORATED

A certificate of the incorporation of the Union Labor Meat Company has been placed on file in the office of the Recorder of Deeds. The capital stock is \$1,000, and the incorporators are Fred C. Felger, George H. Corey, and J. L. Connelley. The object of the corporation is to conduct a general provision business.

THE WEATHER REPORT.

The Atlantic coast disturbance has moved to the mouth of the St. Lawrence, and is slowly filling up. Pressure is high over the Southeastern States and in the Mississippi valley, and there is a depression of considerable magnitude in the upper Missouri valley.

There have been local rains in the upper Ohio valley, and light snow in the western portion of the lake region; elsewhere fair weather with low temperatures for the season prevails.

Fair weather is indicated for tonight and Saturday, except in eastern New York tonight, where local rain is probable.

The temperature will rise slowly in all portions of the Washington forecast district.

TEMPERATURE.

9 a. m. 45
12 noon 49
1 p. m. 49

DOWNTOWN.

(Registered Alcock's Standard Thermometer.)
9 a. m. 49
12 noon 50
1 p. m. 50

THE SUN.

Sun sets today 5:29
Sun rises tomorrow 5:37

TIDE TABLE.

Low tide today 4:30 p. m.
High tide today 10:30 p. m.
Low tide tomorrow 4:22 a. m., 4:50 p. m.
High tide tomorrow 10:12 a. m., 10:38 p. m.

JACK THE RIPPER FATALLY WOUNDS UNKNOWN WOMAN

Stabs Her to Death
With a Small
Penknife.

SUSPECT UNDER ARREST

The Victim Identifies James
Boyne Shortly Before
She Expires.

NEW YORK, April 7.—A young woman, who gave her name as May Wilson, but refused to disclose her identity, died in St. Vincent Hospital, at 9:20 o'clock, this morning from a frightful stab wound inflicted shortly after midnight in the Hotel Lawrence, 50 East Thirtieth street. Before she expired she identified James Boyne, steward of the Avon Beach Regular Democratic Club, at Bay and Twenty-fourth streets, near Bath Beach, as the man who had stabbed her.

Boyne declares he never saw the woman before he confronted her in the hospital for the purpose of identification.

The young woman was about twenty years old, and Boyne gave his age as twenty-one. Blood was found on Boyne's hands and the sleeves of his shirt, also upon his vest. He was arraigned in the police court later and committed to await further examination.

Work of a Degenerate.

The stabbing, according to Police Captain Bourke, is undoubtedly the work of a degenerate with a mania for murder.

"The man who stabbed this woman is a Jack the Ripper," declared the police captain. "Of that I am certain."

The stabbing was most mysterious. A man and a woman went to the Hotel Lawrence shortly after midnight, and after registering as "Mr. and Mrs. Smith," were assigned to a room on the second floor. An hour after the man and woman were in the room there came a piercing scream which echoed through the block. The scream was heard by Mrs. Bertha Newell, proprietor of the house, and by Minnie Smith, a chambermaid. The chambermaid ran to the second floor, and was peeping through the keyhole of the room occupied by the couple when the door was thrown open, and a man rushed out, hat and overcoat in hand.

On the bed sat the woman, fully dressed, with blood pouring from a great wound in her abdomen. The chambermaid followed the man to the ground floor, and there meeting Mrs. Newell, said:

"That man has stabbed the woman who came here with him. Hold him."

Mrs. Newell and the chambermaid tried to catch hold of the man, when he said: "I haven't stabbed anyone. I am perfectly willing to wait for the police."

Detectives Lloyd and Kenyon, who were near by, and who heard the shriek, came up and placed the man under arrest.

One of the detectives went up to the room to question the woman, but she closed her eyes and refused to give any information. It was plain that she was concealing her own identity.

Remained Obstinate Silent.

An ambulance was called, and the woman was removed to St. Vincent's hospital. There it was found that four inches of a broken knife blade was still in her abdomen. The blade had pierced the abdominal wall, and had made half a dozen punctures in her intestines. The doctors told her she would die, but she remained obstinate silent.

A search of the room in which the stabbing occurred brought forth a broken case knife, the blade of which had been about fourteen inches long. The knife did not belong to the house, and had been brought there by either the man or the woman. It was new.

Boyne was taken to the Mercer street police station and questioned at length. He persisted in his first statement that he did not know the woman, that he had never seen her before, and that he had not stabbed her. Later he was taken to the hospital and into the presence of the dying woman.

Identified at Hospital.

"He stabbed you, you say?" Captain Bourke asked the woman after she had identified Boyne.

"Yes, he did," she answered. "I met him at Third avenue last night. He asked me to go with him, and I did, like a fool that I was. I was talking with him in the room when suddenly he seized me from behind and plunged a knife into my side. I tried to fight him off and I did. Then he rushed at me and buried the knife in my stomach. I don't know why he did it. We had no quarrel and no angry words."

MRS. EARLE DICKINSON ENTERS PLEA OF GUILTY

Mrs. Earle Dickinson today pleaded guilty before Justice Gould to a charge of false pretenses and sentence was suspended by the court.

Mrs. Dickinson is the woman who a few days ago failed to appear in Criminal Court No. 1 for trial and her bond of \$500 was forfeited.

When she appeared in court today she was accompanied by her surety and upon explaining that she was out of the city at her given address and had no attention of evading the law the forfeiture of her bond was set aside.

Mrs. Dickinson was accused of procuring a loan on a piano which she represented as her own property and unclaimed.

WASHINGTON MEN WHO FIGURE IN TODAY'S NEWS



DR. HENRY S. CURTIS.
An Authority on Public Playgrounds
Who Will Have Charge of
the Work in the Nation's
Capital.

BUILD A CITY FOR RAILWAY CONGRESS

Convention Structures of
Mushroom Growth.

FIRST TIME IN AMERICA

Delegates Coming From All Over the
World—To Be Held May
3 to 14.

A small city of convention and exposition buildings is growing up over night, like mushrooms, in the Monument Lot.

Washington contractors are rushing things to be ready for the International Railway Congress, which meets here from May 2 to May 14, inclusive.

Today the grounds surrounding the great monolith erected in honor of the Father of His Country resemble the World's Fair at St. Louis, on a small scale.

Covers Half a Block.

The largest structure, which is to contain an exhibition of all known railroad appliances, is nearly complete. It occupies nearly half a city block, is two stories in height, and has on its roof a small forest of flag poles, on which are to fly the colors of many railroads.

Exhibits are to begin to arrive next week. Soon after the delegates will come to the city.

The congress is to be the most important gathering of railroad men ever held in the United States. It meets every five years. This is the first time it has come to this country, other meetings taking place in the capitals of Europe.

Delegates From Everywhere.

Delegates are to be present from every country in the world in which railroads are being operated, including Africa, China, Japan, Spain, all European nations, the republics of South and Central America, India, Turkey, and even the minor Asiatic countries.

J. Alexander Brown, of New York, and his assistants, who are in charge of the preliminary organization, and the exhibition, arrived in the city today, and will open headquarters at once.

Entertainment Committee.

A committee of entertainment has been appointed by the local railroad officers. The names, announced this morning, are S. H. Hardwick, passenger traffic manager of the Southern railway; H. W. Fuller, general passenger agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway; Joseph Crawford, general agent of the Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington railroad; Fairfax Harrison, assistant to President Spencer, of the Southern railway; and George E. Hamilton, counsel for the Baltimore and Ohio railway.

A general reception committee has also been appointed.

SNOW DOWN IN GEORGIA THREATENS PEACH CROP

GAINESVILLE, Ga., April 7.—Snow has fallen here at intervals throughout last night and the mercury has dropped. Much uneasiness is manifested about the peach crop, and only cloudy weather will save it from frost.

This is the first snow to fall in Gainesville during the month of April in the memory of the oldest inhabitant. It melted as fast as it fell, and no damage resulted.



CAPT. JAMES F. OYSTER.
President of the Business Men's Association, Who Says Organization
Will Make Its Influence Felt
in City Affairs.

GARBAGE SYSTEM TO BE REFORMED

Authorities Adopt Policy to
Abate Nuisance.

PREPARING SPECIFICATIONS

Unusually Long Time Allowed So
That Contractor May Have
Ample Time.

Since the drastic action of Commissioner West, on the recommendation of Superintendent Stidham, of the Street Cleaning Department, a few days ago, in declaring that the service of the Washington Fertilizer Company in collecting garbage must be improved on pain of having a supplementary service at the expense of the contractors, and the revelation of the existence of conditions at the garbage transfer station, New Jersey avenue and K street southeast, which constitute the place a nuisance, the authorities have determined upon a policy in dealing with contractors in future which will prevent the recurrence of similar unpleasant features during the five years, after December 1 next.

Specifications on the next garbage contract are already almost completed, and bids will be invited in the near future, the unusually long time being allowed so that the successful contractor may have ample time to construct necessary buildings and otherwise arrange details for handling the material gathered for the back yards of all Washington.

New System of Fines.

During the past few weeks the work of garbage collection has been materially improved, and Superintendent Stidham, who recently took charge of the Street Cleaning Department, has many more changes in view. The number of complaints against the service has dropped off to no marked extent, but with the adoption of a new system of fines, whereby the contractor is penalized as much as \$5 for a particularly aggravated case of neglecting to collect waste, bids fair to accomplish one of the most desired ends.

Within the year ended April 1, there were a total of 4,800 complaints registered against the garbage collector and fines aggregating \$2,442 were imposed in 2,315 cases. According to the existing contract the District pays to the Washington Fertilizer Company, which collects both garbage and dead animals, the sum of \$4,300 monthly, the amounts of the fines imposed each month being deducted from the vouchers. By one provision of the contract the fertilizer company pays to the District at the rate of 50 cents per ton on all garbage collected more than 20,000 per month.

Rarely, except in the summer months, does the amount collected reach such proportions.

A Saving of \$8,738.

At the end of the last fiscal year a total of 12,282 tons in excess had been gathered, and the amount due the District, \$8,111, was deducted from the vouchers of May and June.

If there had been no excess collections during the year and no fines collected, the District would have paid the Washington Fertilizer Company the sum of \$15,000, but with the fines and reductions.

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SLIDES DOWN A PIPE AT MEN'S WORKHOUSE

Clad only in his underclothes, with a blanket drawn around him to keep off the cold, Moses Galloway, colored, serving a six-month sentence in the workhouse for robbing, climbed down a steampipe outside the institution on Wednesday morning and made his escape. He is believed to be hiding somewhere near the workhouse. Captain Boardman, chief of detectives, has been requested by Superintendent Zinkhan to look out for the escaped ward.

Galloway was an occupant of a bed in the sick room, although he was not ill enough to be sent to the hospital. He told the guard who was watching him that the ligar in the room hurt his eyes. The guard extinguished the light and a few moments later had occasion to leave the room. When he returned his charge had left the bed. An open window, from which a pipe led to the ground told the story of his escape.

\$1.25 to Baltimore and Return, \$1.25.

Pennsylvania Railroad, Saturday and Sunday; tickets good on all trains except Congressional Limited, and good for return until Sunday night.—Adv.

CHANGE OF VENUE FOR GALLOWAY TRIAL

Edward Galloway, otherwise known as "Egypt" Galloway, who is under indictment in Marlboro county, Md., for the murder of Arthur Dorsey, at Bladensburg, in August, 1899, has been granted a change of venue. He will be tried in Anne Arundel county, Md., in the week beginning Monday, April 17, instant.

After committing the crime for which he will be called to answer, Galloway fled from the State and was recently captured in Seattle, Washington. He will be represented by Attorney Robert W. Wells, of Washington.

TWO INCHES OF SNOW IN TOWN OF POCONO

STROUDSBURG, Pa., April 7.—There was a recurrence of winter yesterday morning. Snow commenced falling on the Pocono at 8 o'clock and continued to fall for two hours.

The earth was covered to a depth of nearly two inches. Coal trains that passed through here during the early hours of the morning were covered with snow.

WOMAN IS FOUND UNCONSCIOUS WITH GAS TURNED ON

Timely Discovery May
Save Life of Mrs.
McDevitt.

FAITHFUL DOG IS DEAD

Physicians at Casualty Hospital Hope to Revive Patient.

Unconscious from the effects of inhaling illuminating gas, Mrs. Savena McDevitt, thirty-five years old, was found in her room, 827 G street northeast, this morning, by her twelve-year-old son, and was later taken to the Casualty Hospital. For several hours Drs. Lloyd and Perry, who attended her, entertained no hope for recovery.

At noon, however, they said she was in a semi-conscious condition and would probably be out of danger this afternoon.

Police of the Ninth precinct investigated the case, and Policemen Hayden and Smith reported that the woman had attempted suicide. They said both gas jets in the room were turned on full and they were almost knocked off their feet by the gas when they broke open the door about 7 o'clock.

Separated From Husband.

Mrs. McDevitt and her husband, it is said by those who know them, have not been living together for about six weeks. The separation is believed to have preyed upon her mind. Several weeks ago she went to Providence Hospital, where she underwent an operation. Since then she has been in impaired health. Last evening several of her relatives took dinner with her and left about 10:30 o'clock. Her son, by her first husband, retired at that hour, but says his mother remained up about an hour longer.

This morning shortly before 7 o'clock, when he awoke to go to work in a dry goods store he smelled gas. He called to his mother, who was usually down stairs preparing his breakfast at that hour, but received no response. Going to her room door he found it locked and smelled gas coming through the keyhole. Believing something to be wrong he ran to the Ninth precinct station, where he requested that some one go and investigate. Hayden and Smith went to the house and broke in the door.

She Was Nearly Dead.

The woman lay face downward on the left side of her bed. Her face was blue and her fingers wadlike. The policemen discovered a faint beating of the heart and telephoned for a patrol wagon, in which she was hurriedly conveyed to the Hospital about eight blocks away. On the foot of the bed tribby, a little pug dog, with a silver-mounted collar around his neck, lay dead. From the appearance of the bedclothes the little animal made a stubborn fight for life. This is looked upon as strange, because animals are said to be able to stand gas and noxious fumes longer than human beings.

At the hospital the doctors resorted to heroic measures to save the woman's life, and did not leave her bedside until several hours after she was brought in for treatment.

THREE POLICEMEN GO BEFORE TRIAL BOARD

Accused of Engaging in a Game of Craps in the Seventh Precinct Station.

Arraigned on charges of conduct unbecoming policemen, Private Leaven Walsh, of the Seventh precinct station, in Georgetown, pleaded not guilty, this afternoon, and their trial began. The trial board, which will hear the case, is composed of Captain Swindells and Lieutenant Elliott, of the Police Department, and Assistant Corporation Counsel A. L. Sinclair.

The policemen were represented by Attorney Wilton J. Lambert. The arraignment of the men is said to be the outcome of an investigation by Major Sylvester after he heard that a game of craps had been played in the sleeping room of the precinct where the men are stationed.

WORKMEN ORGANIZE MUTUAL BENEFIT SOCIETY

Under the style of the "Mutual Benefit Association of the Employees of the Water Department of the District of Columbia," about 100 mechanics and skilled laborers in the various pumping stations and outdoor gangs of this department have organized a mutual beneficial order.

The object stated is to afford financial relief to a member in case of sickness in his family. The officers of the District are: Fred Fletcher, president; F. K. Steele, vice president; A. E. Gibbons, secretary and treasurer; board of directors, J. W. S. Phelps, J. O. Frank, D. A. Hurley, Frank Brown, E. S. Austin, and Charles Wenger.

"Dolly's Bath," a Framed Picture Free With Next Sunday's Times